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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: CIA Budget Briefing From the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

- 1. On 13 March 1984, at 0930 hours in Room H-405, The Capitol, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) convened to discuss the CIA budget.
 - 2. Present from the Committee were:

Edward P. Boland (D., MA), Chairman Romano L. Mazzoli (D., KY)
Lee H. Hamilton (D., IN)
Anthony C. Beilenson (D., CA)
Robert H. Michel (R., IL)
J. Kenneth Robinson (R., IL)
Bob Stump (R., AZ)

3. Present from the Committee staff were:

Michael O'Neil
Jim Bush
Richard Giza
Annette Smiley Steve Berry
Marty Faga

4. Present from the CIA were:

Charles Briggs, Executive Officer Daniel Childs, Comptroller

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5. Mr. Briggs opened the hearing with a prepared text which I do not have. Since this is a particularly sensitive subject, suffice it to say that the committee members were concerned over the 18.2% increase in the FY-85 budget over FY-84. They also pointed out that over the past several years the Agency was averaging a 20% yearly increase in its budget in the past four years, and they wanted a justification for this annual growth. The basic response was that we were in a rebuilding phase after the 1970s and that the cost represented an increase in both personnel strengths and programs which were being rebuilt after the 1979 low. Briggs and Mr. Childs handled most of the questions concerning the budget itself. Following the hearing, Mr. Childs arranged with key staff members of HPSCI to reconvene at a later date at the staff level to receive a detailed briefing on the covert action portion of the FY 85 budget.

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